

Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

PROMENADE CONCERT AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

SATURDAY, the 5th June, 1897.

Weather Permitting.

AT HEADQUARTERS, commencing at 9.15 P.M.

VOCALISTS:

Messrs. C. H. GRACE, C. H. LAMBERT and J. GILCHRIST.

BAND PROGRAMME:

March....."Volunteer".....*Herold.*
Overture....."Zampa".....*Herold.*
Intermezzo....."Forget me not".....*Macbeth.*
Song (Carmel)....."The Garden of".....*Di Lara.*
Solo....."Sleep".....*Di Lara.*
Quintet from....."The Mastersinger".....*Wagner.*
Fantasia....."Mazurka".....*Wallace.*
The British Army Quadrille.....*Fullen.*
[Synopsis:—The Camp at night.—Patrol going the rounds, "All's Well."—Reveille.—The Camp in motion.—The Troops on Parade.—Music of the Infantry Bands (with Solos for Flute, Oboe, Piccolo and Clarinet). Music of the Mounted Bands (with Solos for Cornet and Trombone). Night once more "Go to bed, Tom."—"God save the Queen" heard in the distance.—The enemy heard advancing.—The Alarm sounds and the Camp is soon roused and on Parade.—The English Brigade advancing to the "British Grenadiers." Irish Brigade to "Garry Owen." Scotch Brigade to "Highland Laddie."—Grand Ensemble and Finale representing the Battle in which the British are victorious. Concluding with the "Conquering Hero."]

TICKETS may be obtained from Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co., Queen's Road. By kind permission, the BAND of the WEST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT will take part in the CONCERT.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. 1896

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

"HYDASPES."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed, and placed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be noted out mark by mark and delivered can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
Goods not cleared by the 8th instant, at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case where the cargo is not insured.
All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognised.
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 2d June, 1897. 1896

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANTOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAILOONG."

Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 3rd instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. 1896

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship.

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Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. 1896

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emphatic proof that Labor omnia vincit.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. 1891

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. 1896

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD., THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1897. 1896

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1897.

IS IT NOT A FAUX PAS?

We are not satisfied that the purchase by the military authorities of the site of the Mount Austin Hotel with all the buildings on it is a move in the right direction either from the purely military point of view or from a sanitary point of view. We are afraid that the purchase is a hasty one, made under local influences and upon the advice of a very zealous and very able medical officer well-known to us all and equally well liked, but whose zeal for the welfare of the soldier is not always tempered by that amount of discretion and reflection that distinguishes the Saxon from the Celt. It does not seem clear whether the place, when the Military have got possession of it, is to be a military barrack pure and simple or a Convalescent Station to which the troops are to be moved by sections of three or four hundred at a time for the benefit of their health during the summer months, or whether it is to be mainly for the benefit of the women and children, or to be a general Military Hospital. All these different ideas are in the air, and there seems to be a prevailing impression that the General would already like to be off his bargain. A syndicate is being talked of in town to take it off his hands at a considerable profit to the military chest.

Now, if the place is wanted for a barrack it seems to us to be very ill suited for such a purpose. There is no available drill ground, nor any ground in the neighbourhood that can easily be made serviceable for that purpose, or for the men to exercise. The buildings will need very extensive and very expensive alterations. Men cannot be quartered three or four in a room. Several rooms will have to be thrown into one to make space for a company or half company to be kept together. For four months in the year, at least, the place is constantly enveloped in dense mists. The men will probably get diarrhoea and dysentery, as on a former occasion when soldiers were quartered in that neighbourhood. They will probably suffer, too, from fevers; they have not the means at their disposal that civilians possess for preserving themselves from variations of temperature and from the effects of damp. A soldier's kit is a slender one. The men will be farther removed in many respects from the points of defence round the island than they are in their present barracks. It will take longer time and more money to get them

from Mount Austin to Stonecutters or to Ly-ee-mun than from Murray Barracks. True, they will be a little nearer to any positions selected for defence on the south side of the island, but only at its eastern end. They will be farther removed than ever from, say, the defence of the Taitam Reservoir. As a purely military location it seems to us that the new purchase is about the worst situated spot that could have been chosen along the whole range of hills for a military barrack. And who is to occupy it—Artillery or Infantry, or Engineers or Staff, or a mixed force of all-arms? May we be permitted, from a purely military point of view, to recommend that it should be appropriated exclusively for the General Officer Commanding and his Staff, and for the officers of the Garrison generally. It is fitted for officers' quarters, is in a commanding position and has all the necessary accommodation for the display of that hospitality which always and everywhere distinguishes the British officer. As a Hospital and Convalescent Station we do not believe the place will be a success. The next Senior Military Medical Officer who comes along here will be certain to find and declare it utterly unsuitable for any such purpose—too far away from the bulk of the forces, too high, too damp, too windy, too much exposed, too expensive in the moving of the men up and down. We foresee that the Military authorities will find in a few years—a very few years—that their purchase was a big mistake and they will be ready to sell it to anyone who wants it. They cannot sell it now. It would look too foolish; but perhaps they have still a *locus penitentie* and they may be able to cancel the purchase before it is too late.

As to our side of the question—how we, the colonists, are affected: The presence of soldiers in great numbers constantly in the Mount Austin will alter the whole character of life at the Peak, and will shift the social centre of gravity more over to the eastward. A new line of tram, or a branch from the present line, will be carrying the civilian residents at the Peak and their wives and families to a point nearer to Mount Gough. The value of residential property near the Barracks will diminish very considerably in time, and Chinese are bound to find their way to the neighbourhood of the Victoria Gap. Property farther removed from the Barracks will possibly rise in value and become more crowded with houses. But the more serious aspect of the matter as affects the Colonists is the question of expense and their share of it. It will cost well on for four hundred thousand dollars before the Mount Austin Hotel is fit for occupation as a permanent barrack for soldiers with all the necessary appliances. The Colony has to pay a third of that. To pay that third it will have to raise additional revenue. On the additional revenue so raised it will have to pay 17 per cent. of an additional Military Contribution, and it is not to get the site of the North Barracks for the improvement of the Colony and of its foreshore. That goes to the Admiralty for the improvement of the Naval Yard!

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE DERBY.

LONDON, May 31st.

Bersak is scratched for the Derby.

GREECE AND TURKEY.

The Greeks are organising the defence of Thessaly.

It is reported at Athens that the Turks have again violated the neutral zone and the Greeks fear that an unexpected stroke is meditated.

CRETE.

The Cretans continue aggressive, and the Turkish troops have massacred fifteen Christians near Candia.

QUARANTINE AT SHANGHAI.

The Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce informs us that the following telegram, received from the British Consul-General at Shanghai, has been transmitted to the Chamber by the Colonial Secretary:—

"SHANGHAI, June 2nd.

"Formosa ports, Amoy, Macao declared infected. Sanitary Regulations 1896 in force."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The bubonic plague is said to have been entirely stamped out at Bhowanagar, India.

The fast and formidable U.S.S. *Monterey* is undergoing extensive repairs at Shanghai.A FUND for the aid of the Greek wounded has been opened by the London *Daily Chronicle* and already amounts to £1,500.

Sir Alexander Mackenzie has been ordered by his medical advisers to take leave for six months. He will leave India about the end of June.

THE Band of the West York Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening:—

1.—Overture....."La Fida Bergiera".....Adon

2.—Pavane....."The Rose Tree".....Green

3.—Selection....."Soldiers".....Ballman

4.—Dance....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

5.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

6.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

7.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

8.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

9.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

10.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

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12.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

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15.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

16.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

17.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

18.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

19.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

20.—Selection....."The Rose Tree".....Ballman

To celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen the Newmarket Urban Council have decided to contribute £1,000 towards the erection of a new women's wing for the Rous Memorial Hospital.

In their *Weekly Share Report* issued at 5 p.m. to-day Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—The past week has been a moderately active one and a fairly general rise in quotations has to be recorded.

On the 15th ultimo the *Bombay Gazette* made the following welcome announcement:—Plague seems rapidly dying out in Bombay, Kurrachee, and Poona. It is still violent at Cutch Mandvi whither medical assistance has been sent from Bombay.

A CHINESE report from Peking says that Wen Tung Ho proposes to pay off the war indemnity before going into railway out of proceeds from the new bank scheme. It is said that he is about to present a memorial to the Emperor to this effect.—*Mercury.*

ASCUILLING match has taken place on the Thames between Wray, a Sydney oarsman, and Haines, the winner of last year's punting championship. The former won easily, beating his opponent by 100 yards. Wray has issued a challenge to Gaultier, the sculling champion of the world, who defeated Stansbury, the Australian champion, in September last.

A PORTUGUESE answer to the name of Perela was fined \$5 at the Magistrate's court for creating a disturbance. He went into an engineer's house in Queen's Road East and abused the tenant, who gave him into custody. The defendant's version was that a friend of his went into the house and he had been waiting for him, but being impatient he knocked at the door to bring him out.

THE Synod of the Free Presbyterian Church of England on April 30th rejected the petition against the Rev. J. Watson, M.A., D.D. ("Ian MacLaren") the famous Scottish novelist, who was cited by a minister of the Church to appear before the Synod, on the grounds of heresy. The petition was lodged by Dr. Kennedy Moore, whose chief complaint was that the author of the "Mind of the Master" had not repudiated the charge publicly made that his teaching tended towards Unitarianism.

SPEAKING early last month in the Cape House of Assembly on the question of additional British troops being sent to South Africa, the Premier, Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, said he did not blame the British Government for increasing the strength of the South African garrison in view of the somewhat strained relations with the Transvaal, but he indicated that there was an intense anxiety for peace on the part of Cape Colony, and advised that resort should be had to every means of diplomacy before war was declared.

News has been received by Admiral Bridge, Commander-in-Chief of the Australian squadron, of the appointment of Captain Henry Leah, to the command of H.M.S. *Mildura*. Captain Leah joined the Navy in March, 1864, and received his commission as sub-lieutenant in 1869. He was appointed lieutenant in 1873, commander in 1887, and captain on the 30th March, 1894. He leaves England to join the *Mildura* on the 9th inst., and on his arrival Commander Carter, who is at present in command, will rejoin the *Orlando*.

THE latest move in connection with the race-course betting that at Kempton Park, the other day, Mr. C. Hibbert, of Nottingham; Mr. R. S. Fry, 23, Draxell-road, Ealing; and Mr. John Edge, York House, River-court-road, Hammer-smith, three well-known bookmakers, were asked for and gave their names and addresses to the police at Kempton Park on Easter Monday. It was stated that the police acted under the instructions of Sir Edward Bradford, the Chief Commissioner of Police, and summonses were issued against the gentlemen named for alleged illegal betting in the reserved enclosure.

A ROUGH and determined looking rascal "faced the music" at the Police Court this morning charged with stealing \$5 from one of the audience in the theatre at San-ki-wan and also with attempting to commit suicide. He was convicted of a similar offence a few weeks ago when the "Koh Sing" theatre was the scene of his operations. He attempted to commit suicide twice after his arrest but failed, it seemed, was against him. The first time, he hung himself in his cell but was cut down, and on the second occasion he jumped overboard from the Police station which was conveying him to the Central Station. Mr. Woodhouse sentenced him to six months' imprisonment so as to give him his disturbed *caput* a rest. The prisoner asked to be hanged and said that he preferred to die rather than undergo an imprisonment.

WE note that canvas sun-blinds have been fitted to the marsh shed on Fadder's Wharf to the great comfort and convenience of those of the public whose business obliges them to wait for launches or sampans at that excessively hot spot. Upon enquiry, however, we learn that it is not the Government that is thus caring for the comfort of the public, but Mr. Dorabjee, the proprietor of the Kowloon Ferry Service, who has erected the blinds at his own expense in order that passengers by his launches may be spared to as little inconvenience as possible while waiting on the wharf. We heartily congratulate Mr. Dorabjee on his philanthropic action, which cannot fail to be much appreciated by the public. While on the subject of Fadder's Wharf and its conveniences, or rather lack of them, might we suggest to the Government that a couple of garden seats, placed under the shelter for the accommodation of Europeans would be desirable, particularly so at night when the ferry launches run at long intervals. The seats would not cost much and the policeman on duty at the wharf could easily keep them clear of coolies—and sometimes sit on it himself.

A GREAT victory was gained by a cyclist over a policeman recently in Julianstown (Ireland) Petty Sessions, says an exchange. A cyclist was fined one penny for riding upon the foot-path. Mr. Daly, J.P., in dealing with the case, said he did not like to tell a policeman not to do his duty, but there were times when he might be a little blip. He would fine heavily anyone causing an obstruction on a path, but so long as a cyclist did not do so he should not be interfered with. The roads were in too bad a condition to be ridden on. The magistrate refused to give any costs to the police, or to allow the full fare of the constable, who attended from the adjoining town, to prove the case.—Mr. Daly is a sensible man.

TWO marine hawkers were awarded six weeks' imprisonment each at the Magistrate's court this morning. They boarded the steamer *Woojung* and bargained with the boatman for the purchase of a quantity of refuse oil which was cleaned out of the hold of the steamer after her cargo was discharged. The Chinese cook was sent ashore with the two hawkers (who took the oil with them) to get the money. One of the men told the other to wait with the cook until he returned with it. After waiting for some time the second man asked the cook to go with him to find the first man. Not finding him they returned to the wharf and found that the sampan containing the oil had disappeared and then the cook's companion attempted to escape but was taken into custody. The oil and the other thief were afterwards found in Kennedy-town.

THE Shanghai wheelbarrow coolies have had their guild organised at last, the headmen of which are those whose names we noted two weeks ago in these columns. The guild house is in Sinsu, and one of the regulations states that a wheelbarrow coolie who has paid the extra tax demanded by the Municipal Council next July can, on presentation of his enhanced license ticket or card at the guild house, have his two hundred cash refunded to him, this money being at present furnished by private native subscribers at the instance of the Shanghai Taotai. This official (says the *Daily News*) proposes to raise a permanent fund for the above object by levying a nominal tax upon the local sea junk fleet and the tribute rice junk. The name of the wheelbarrow guild is suggestive when taken with the above method of assisting the coolies, it being called the "Tung Chi-Kung-Su" or "Guild of Universal Aid."

A MEETING of the Sanitary Board will be held at 4.15 p.m. to-morrow. Business:—1. A return showing the progress of Bubonic Plague in Bombay. 2. A report regarding the existence of Bubonic Plague at Amoy. 3. The appointment of places to which persons suffering from Bubonic Plague, Small-pox and Cholera may be removed. 4. Correspondence having reference to the amendment of the by-laws providing for the disinfection of infected premises. 5. Correspondence having reference to a breach of Ordinance 15 of 1894. 6. A request for an extension of time in which to re-drain, "Stone-henge." 7. Two applications to sell fruit elsewhere than in a public market. 8. An application for permission to erect a water-closet. 9. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 22nd and 29th May, 1897, respectively. 10. One application for the registration of premises for the trade of fat boiling. 11. Eighteen applications for the registration of premises as Public Laundries.

MUCH interest attaches to the Portuguese Royal Military Order of Our Lord Jesus Christ, conferred by the King of Portugal upon Captain Hugh Craig, commander of the E. and A. Company's steamer *Guthrie*, in recognition of the services rendered by him during the Timor rebellion. This order was founded by Dionysius, King of Portugal, about 1317, to encourage his nobles to assist him against the Moors. It was confirmed by Pope John XXII, two years later, and may be considered a pontifical order. In 1511 Pope Julius III. vested in the Crown a perpetual right to the Grandmastership, and from that time the Kings of Portugal have taken the title of Perpetual Administrators of the order. According to the statutes of the order, the knights are obliged to prove at least four degrees of hereditary nobility. This may, however, be dispensed with by the Sovereign. The knights are under the same regulations, and enjoy the same privileges as those of the order of Calatrava in Spain. Since 1799 the knights have been divided into three classes, six grand crosses, 450 commanders, and an indefinite number of knights. Foreigners, honorary knights, are not subject to the statutes, nor do they receive any part of the revenue.—*Sydney Telegraph.*

A PLEASANT evening's entertainment was given at the Seamen's Mission Hall, Sallor's Home, last evening by Mr. C. T. Robinson, the popular local comedian, assisted by Misses Crawford (2) Messrs. Morris and Cooper, R.E., Crawford, and Gilchrist, and Mr. A. J. Farr acted as accompanist. The chubby little vocalist was in grand form and his audience seemed as if they could never have enough of him. His programme included two cockney songs, "Down the Road" and "E didn't feel at home," and four eccentric songs "The Lamp-lighter," "That touches the Spot," "No more funny bills for me," and "Counting the widow." The songs were all sung in different costumes and the applause of the audience testified their appreciation emphatically. Miss Crawford's song was warmly received and her violin playing in the trio with her brother and sister was excellent. Mr. Gilchrist sang "The Deathless Army" and "Song of Araby" in capital style and Mr. Tenill gave a fine rendering of "Dear me, gentle Marianna." The bass and mandoline duet of Messrs. Morris and Cooper was an exceedingly enjoyable performance that won loud applause. Miss Crawford sang her song with pleasing taste and Miss L. Crawford captivated her audience with her clever violin solo. A pretty flute solo was also contributed by Mr. Crawford. The audience was a large one and gave ample testimony of its appreciation of the entertainment so kindly provided by these clever musicians.

THE Indian assault case was again heard at the Magistrate's court this afternoon. Evidence was given by three of the complainant's comrades. The Court was sitting when we went to press.

A FOCHOW correspondent reports that the body of Mr. Werner Krohn, late of Messrs. Siemens & Co. Fochow, who was drowned in the River Min on the 4th of February last, was found on the 22nd ultimo. The burial took place at the Fochow cemetery the same day.

THE Bombay Millowners' Association recently unanimously resolved to discontinue from 1st June the system of paying their hands daily. They also resolved that bonuses might be paid daily by such mill-owners as may desire to do so, but the maximum bonus for male labourers should not exceed 5 annas, for women 2 annas, for full-time boys 3 annas, and for half-timers one anna, and that the scale of bonus should continue to be in force until the next meeting.

In a recent interview Sir Walter Besant, speaking of the Diamond Jubilee, suggested that the principal celebration day should be called "Victoria Day." He said "The Queen's reign stands for a fine period and splendid advances in English history. Accordingly, a Victoria Day might very well be instituted, only there need be no trouble about a name. It is worth recalling that for 200 years after Queen Elizabeth's death the anniversary of her accession was celebrated. That fact touched the note which is involved—patriotism and country."

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Westminster Gazette* bears "on good authority" that before our powerful Cape Squadron received secret orders to start for Delagoa Bay and make a demonstration in force, news had been received in London to the effect that several German warships were being quietly prepared for service in that region. Germany did not, of course, mediate a *coup*. That would have been a trifle too dangerous. But the movement was intended to be in the nature of a *ballon d'essai*—just to see how far Great Britain would go in making a counter demonstration.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherthorpe Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—
J. Black.....£10

MR. HORATIO T. BOTTOMLEY, whose connection with the "Hansard Union" a few years ago caused much comment, has made recompense out of his recently-acquired to time. It is announced that he has voluntarily refunded £25,000 to the Union stockholders.

THE *Calcutta Englishman* publishes an article on lightness in the Red Sea, and calls upon the Government to take steps especially owing to the increased speed demanded in the mail contract, which should make the steamers track the south end of the Red Sea ordinarily safe for navigation.

It is stated in *Fairplay* that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have contracted with Messrs. R. Napier & Sons, Govan, for the construction of three steamers. The dimensions of the vessels will be 375 ft. by 44 ft. by 28 ft. 8 in.; they will be of about 6,000 tons deadweight each, and are to have a steaming speed of 14 knots.

A Peking dispatch reports that the Board of Rites has issued its 5th-8th edicts, or Translating Bureau, to the Manchurian Railway Company to be used as the Peking offices of the Company. The lease is to run for the period during which China gives to Russia the right of control of the Manchurian Railway, namely, for eighty years. At the end of this period both the college and the railways are, according to the Shanghai papers, to revert to the sole charge of China. The Say-ye College, as its name implies, used to deal with all state documents of the country in relation to foreign affairs until the formation of the Tanghai Yamen.

THE *Singapore Free Press* notes that the report of the Straits Trading Company for the six months ended March 31st furnishes very pleasant reading for shareholders. Eleven per cent. for the half-year, added to the nine per cent. already declared, makes twenty per cent. for the year. A handsome provision is also made for reserve fund, \$50,000, and half as much again is added to the local insurance and guarantee fund, making it to close on \$150,000. In addition \$52,667 is carried to new account. From the profit and loss account it will be seen that the bulk of the receipts come from profits on smelting—"cheap coal and good work" giving an excellent result.

THE proposals recently submitted by the German Government for an enormous increase in the strength of the navy were, as already announced, rejected by the German Reichstag, except so far as a small portion of the programme was concerned, and the Emperor William is reported to be now taking other steps to impress upon the German people his wish to see to it that the bulk of the receipts come from profits on smelting—"cheap coal and good work" giving an excellent result.

It is reported from Wushieh, near Soochow, that the Ching-sha cotton spinning and weaving mill of that city, which was completed last year by a native syndicate under the directorship of a retired Taotai by the name of Yang, is doing a splendid business and now supplies the markets of Ch'angchow, Kiangyeh, Ching-sha, and other towns in the district with the product of the mill. Notwithstanding that the works are kept running day and night it is alleged that the syndicate are unable to supply all the demands made upon the mill from the various towns of Soochow and Ch'angchow prefectures. Learning a lesson from the destruction by fire of the Chinese cotton mill at Yangtsepo in 1895, Yang Taotai has (says the *N. C. Daily News*) lately ordered a complete outfit of sprinklers and fire extinguishing apparatus from Europe, and in view of the ever-increasing demands on the limited capacity of the mill, it is about 25,000 spindles, Yang Taotai intends also to place 25,000 more spindles in a new mill that is being built for the purpose. Native of Wushieh now in Shanghai state that the prosperity of the mill has been phenomenal, and under efficient management should pay dividends of at least 15 per cent. on the capital.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"ROSETTA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. China.
From Penang, &c., ex S.S. Pamba, Pachumba and Nauri.
Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 3rd June, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here; after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1897.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA,
AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1897.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING."
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1897.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "PREUSSEN."

THE above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-MORROW MORNING, the 1st June, at 10 A.M. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after 7th June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 7th June, at 9:30 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1897.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 7th June, or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 7th June, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th June, will be subject to rent.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1897.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel on board after 4 P.M. of the 3rd instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Wharfedale.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside, each Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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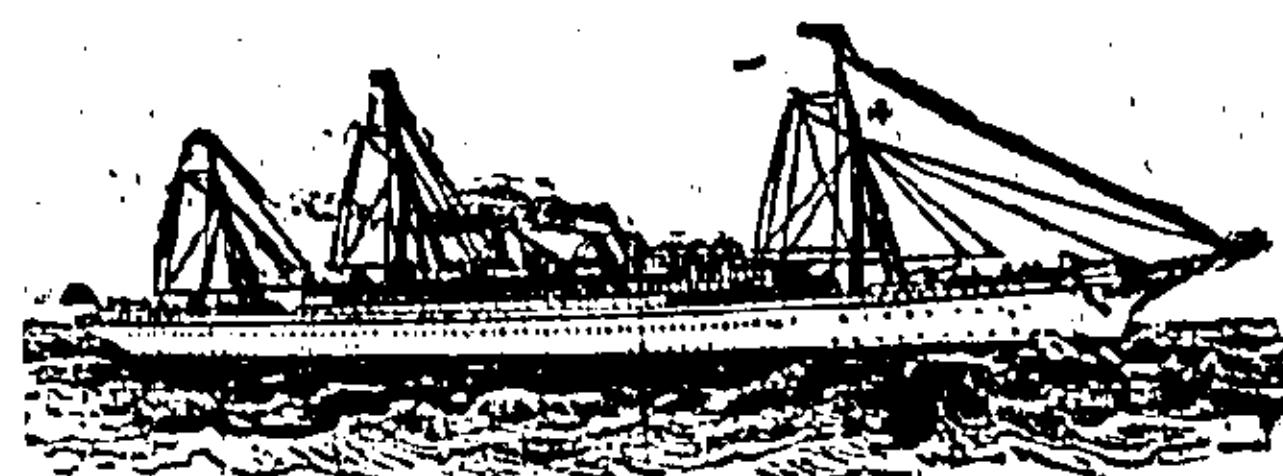
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Tuesday, 6th July, at Noon.

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THE Company's Steamship

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will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 17th June, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Cashier's Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight and Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, PRYCE CENTRAL.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 29th May 1897.

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Tuesday, 8th June, at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....

Saturday, 25th June, at Noon.

Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama).....

Thursday, 15th July, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 8th June, 1897, at noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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